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## "He Is a Traitor Who Aids or Votes For Communism"

To those Catholics who are going along with Marxist politicians entrenched in the present administration and hesitate to back Common Sense in this battle for America for fear they will jeopardize their position we suggest practical thinking and quickly.

It would be well for them to consider the words of Pope Pius XII when he spoke not only to the Italian Catholics but to Catholics all over the world. The Holy Father said "He is a deserter and a traitor who would give his material support, his services, his talents, aid or vote" to Communism, "which puts might in place of right, and threat and terror in place of liberty; which makes lying, incitement of the masses to revolt, so many weapons of its policy, thus rendering national and international peace impossible." And in his Easter message the Pope pointed out that there is no "middle of the road" attitude possible for Catholics. We are either for Communism or against it.

Christ versus Anti-Christ battle.

...the number and quality of its maladministration, MATERIAL RESOURCES, we estimate that ITALY is a fifth grade Power, although her industries in the NORTH have a VALUE that we are NOW MOVING TO ABSORB. There is NO APPARENT POSSIBILITY that our DEMOCRACY CAN LIVE AT PEACE in a world where AGGRESSIVE CATHOLICISM seeks to gain COMPLETE POLITICAL CONTROL. One or the other system WILL HAVE TO SUCCUMB, and in those areas of this earth where we carry the light of DEMOCRACY, CATHOLICISM MUST EITHER LIQUIDATE ITSELF, or suffer INVOLUNTARY TERMINATION. Such was the DECISION of LENIN, himself, and in it there is NO ALLOWABLE CHANGE. As MILITARY NECESSITY dictates, or as ECONOMIC or POLITICAL OPPORTUNITY AFFORDS, we WILL TAKE OVER ITALY, acting to this end through the forces of MARSHALL TITO."

Does the Pope's warning mean anything to American Catholics?

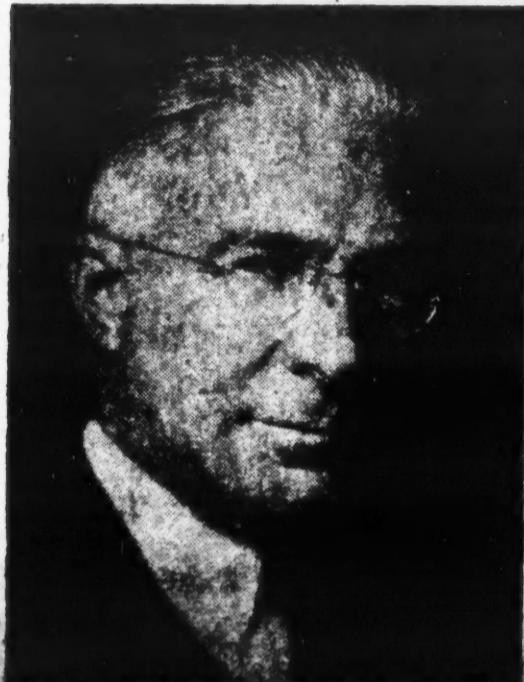
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It is being proposed in Congress to have a registration round up in July when all aliens will be registered. Five million aliens registered during the last registration in 1940. Since then approximately 1,100,000 are here legally on 3 or 6 months visas. Our opinion is that there are twice this number here illegally and 90% are Marxists

### ATTENTION EDITORS AND READERS ! ! !

We urge you to assist in convincing President Truman that he should replace Tom Clark immediately. All readers of Common Sense are asked to write and have your friends write to the President and to your Congressmen and Senators to have a capable man replace Clark at once so that we will have a chance to prevent internal revolution. We are being tricked into war by the Marxists who want war in order to take over the control of the U. S.

## AN OPEN LETTER TO PRESIDENT TRUMAN



The United States at present faces the gravest crises in its history and your responsibility as Chief Executive is tremendous. You are surrounded by weak politicians, insincere advisors, Marxists, enemies of America and some who are only interested in easy money while our country is sliding off a precipice to destruction. Of those who surround you, only those Marxists who plot the ruin of America, understand the situation; others, like babes in the woods, are without understanding or courage. It is vitally important we present a United American Front to the world and that quickly. At present this is almost impossible because trained groups are ready to disrupt us at the crisis so that masterminds of the "Invisible Government" can force you to appoint those they name to take charge of the National Emergency they created. From eighteen years conscientious study of these forces, I know what you face.

The most important post for the security of America, to prevent revolution from within while we face a ruthless enemy from without, is

...there are some business and professional men who are qualified to render important help in this battle against Marxism and Communism. Few have the courage, however, to come out in the open because of the smear they will receive from camouflaged organizations which run interference for Communism. These organizations smear and drive from public life all who attack Communism.

Merwin K. Hart, President of National Economic Council, Inc., lawyer, economist and writer, has the knowledge and courage to fight. For sixteen years he has defied the alien un-American forces which, like man-eating sharks, attack all of us who dare to stand up for America against foreign Marxist ideology.

The Anti-Defamation League of B'nai B'rith and other red Marxist outfits are smearing Mr. Hart while his organization grows in usefulness to America. Anti-Christian forces can hardly wait until they gain full control of the government so that they may get at Mr. Hart and the rest of us whom they have not been able to crush. If and when that day comes Mr. Hart will be one of us who will not be shot. Something worse awaits us. If there was ever a time when Americans with half a brain should rally around and sustain the leaders who dare to fight for their liberties, it is now. COMMON SENSE takes pride in publishing articles by such true Christian Americans as Merwin K. Hart. May God give him health and strength to carry on against the forces of evil.

### BY JOSEF STALIN

"The world wide nature of our program is not mere talk, but an all-embracing and blood-soaked reality. It cannot be otherwise. Our ultimate aim is world Communism; our fighting preparations is for world revolution, for the conquest of power on a world-wide scale, and the establishment of a world proletarian dictatorship"

...is the fact that red Marxist control now dominates his so-called Department of Justice. He must be released and replaced with a man who really stands the traitorous forces inside the United States. These forces and their followers number millions. The man selected for the post of Attorney General must not be a politician but must have courage to re-establish the confidence of the American people; a man who will do this as a patriotic service to his country, not being subject to or ruled by pressure groups from the left or right. There are only a comparative few men who fully understand the national and international situation and still have the courage to tackle the job. Prominent Lawyers in Dallas, Texas, where Tom Clark comes from, never heard of him until he was appointed Attorney General. He is certainly no political asset; he is no proven man. He has made a mess of the Department of Justice, which he has allowed to persecute in place of prosecute. He was forced on you by a Marxist pressure group because he would allow them to run his office. Clark knows no more about Communism than a boy scout. The national situation has passed out of the stage where politicians will do. You face trained world revolutionists.

Believing you also realize your need for men you can depend upon, we suggest Mr. Merwin K. Hart as Attorney General. No pressure group, left or right, or any racial or religious group would prevent him from dealing out justice. He is a strong, honest man, the kind needed as Attorney General if the United States is to be saved from complete destruction. He is a proven man who has paid the price to warrant the confidence of thinking, true Americans. He has intelligently defied these revolutionists for sixteen years. To his credit, he has gained the enmity of world revolutionists and fellow travelers.

You need a man who has been courageous enough to make enemies of those who are enemies of the American form of government. Merwin K. Hart is that man.

If you appoint him to this office, which is

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## THE TRUE HISTORY OF COMMUNISM

By George Nelson

Most of us know that Wright invented the airplane, Robert Fulton the steamboat, Edison the electric light, and so forth. But since so few know the real history of Communism we give it here.—

In May, 1776, Adam Weishaupt, a university teacher of Bavaria, first put into actual practice the principles that the world could be conquered by infecting the masses of peoples with false ideas. Prior to that time people, as well as nations, were conquered almost by military arms alone and while many cunning schemers such as Machiavelli existed throughout history it was Weishaupt who first put into practice the modern doctrines of Communism.

Weishaupt proved that the people could be tricked into practicing false ideas and unworkable theories. For example, the people were told that if they killed their king, their government officials, their wealthy people and their church leaders, that they would have unprecedented liberty and freedom because they would be responsible to no one. The masses of the people were told that these were modern ideas and, even though much blood would be shed, that unparalleled equality and freedom would result for the people. . . . and that the secret revolutionary societies had only humanitarian aims.

With the hope of securing the promised liberty, equality and fraternity, a large group of deluded French people killed their king (Louis XIV), their government officials, their wealthy people, and their church leaders.

But after that bloody revolution, the people did not really gain the equality and freedom they sought but got only a change to masters far more severe than the first. Then the revolutionary leaders seized the government authority that had been cast into the street by the people. The people had been tricked for the simple reason that in nature itself there is no equality. Some are born strong, others weak. Some are intelligent, others not so. Some men are ambitious, others lazy. No two men are equally alike. Again for the simple reason that absolute freedom is contrary to nature.

Can we put our hand into fire without being burned? Do we have freedom to eat improper food? Who has freedom to violate the laws of nature without penalty? Not every idea is a practical fact and not all theories are workable. So the people of the French revolution got tyranny instead of equality and freedom they were promised.

Eventually, Weishaupt, Marat, Danton, Mirabeau, and other revolutionists, were jailed or executed. Their aims and works, however, were continued by other revolutionaries up to the present time under various names such as Socialists, Nihilists, Bolsheviks, Social Republicans, Laborites, Loylists, etc. These are various names but with the same old Weishaupt doctrines, such as abolition of private property, abolition of existing governments, suppression of existing religions and regimentation of the masses of people.

Communism of today is really misnamed. The present day Communism is really Super Capitalism. Instead of the people being more equal, according to this system the people and their commissars are far more unequal.

The Russian leaders live in luxury while the modern Russian people live in ignorance, fear, and poverty-stricken slavery. All of Europe is in the menace of Communism today. Throughout history, people have been deceived and maneuvered into

practicing false ideas and unworkable theories. But never before in the history of the world has the mechanism for deceiving people been so perfected.

On that day when all the people of the world know the truth about Communism and unite to oppose it, Communism and its plotters will be defeated. If the people continue to be pleasure-seeking, disloyal and gullible they will be enslaved as barnyard cattle in human form.

# Are You For Communism Or Against It? Do You Know What It Is?

**Do you know thousands of influential Citizens  
in the U. S. are for Communism and still will be  
when we break with Russia?**

**To preserve your liberty be informed and inform  
others. Organize a group of real Americans and  
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**DO YOU KNOW THAT SOME COMMUNIST PUBLICATIONS FIGHT COMMUNISM WEAKLY SO AS TO GAIN YOUR SUPPORT WHEN THEY SMEAR ANTI-COMMUNISTS IN A POWERFUL WAY? DO YOU BELIEVE ALL THIS CAN BE STOPPED BY JUST TALK?**

**YOU CANNOT COMBAT MARXISM UNTIL YOU KNOW WHAT IT IS  
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An open letter to President Harry Truman,  
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worse than vacant, and then back Mr. Hart, he will restore confidence by ending the sabotage of America. These Communist-inspired strikes are only rehearsals for the general strike Lenin and Stalin have told us about so often. Approximately 600 Communist fronts operate boldly in our colleges and all walks of life, pumping poison into the bloodstream of America. And at this crisis, patriotic Americans are still asleep.

Don't you think, Mr. Truman, it is high time to forget politics and think about saving America before we all are in slave-labor camps under Mr. Stalin? Dump the politicians quick. Surely you need at least one man in your cabinet who understands Communism and is willing to risk his life to fight it. Mr. Hart is the friend you need now.

CONDE McGINLEY

By JOSEF STALIN

"The working classes of all countries must be organized. Thus, will we be assured of World support when the time comes for us to defend our fatherland against external enemies.

"Particularly must the workers of bourgeoisie countries be strengthened. They must be organized so that the Soviet Union will be assured of political assistance in the event of an armed attack". (MKR, p.140).

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"We know very well that Capitalism cannot be abolished without the use of force". From the Manifesto of the Communist Party of America.

BY SOVIET COMMISSAR  
OF EDUCATION

"We hate Christians. Even the best of them must be regarded as our enemies. They preach love to one's neighbor and pity, which is contrary to our principles.

Christian love is a hindrance to the development of the revolution. Down with love for one's neighbor; what we want is hatred. We must know how to hate, for only at this price can we conquer the Universe. We have done with the kings of the earth; let us now deal with the kings of the sky. All religions are poison and they intoxicate and deaden the mind, the will, and the conscience.

"A fight to the death must be declared on religion. Our task is to destroy all kinds of religion and all kinds of morality."

By NICOLI LENIN

We must hate — hatred is the basis of Communism. Children must be taught to hate their parents if they are not Communist. If they are then the children need not respect them; need not worry about them". (Lenin, Congressional Record, Vol. 77, pp.1539-40; "MKR" p.123).

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"Abolition of the family! Even the most radical flare up at this infamous proposal of the Communist. The bourgeoisie family will vanish as a matter of course with the vanishing of capitalism." (Communist Manifesto, pp.26,27; "MKR" p.124)

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## The Persecution of Robert H. Best

This is the testimony in the proceedings against Robert H. Best now on trial in Boston Mass., on a charge of treason including a declaration of Mr Best made under oath from the witness stand on March 24, 1948 at his own request to be heard as a witness during a hearing on allegedly illegal "search and seizure" of his home and papers, respectfully in Vienna. This declaration was as follows:

Somewhere on the payroll of the U. S. Government there is a large group of persons who are designated by two categories or sections; namely, "C-I-C Briefing" and "C-I-C Rewrite".

The persons in question are primarily either so-called "refugees" and/or "Displaced Persons" or ex refugees who are now enjoying American citizenship; — although the citizenship in question is at least in many cases, of doubtful validity, because of the "undue speed" with which they were naturalized.

Those of the section known as "C-I-C Briefing" are, at least to a great extent, still in Europe; and their function is two-fold; namely to decide where various D-P's (Displaced Persons) are to be sent from Europe, and in what order, and to decide when various bona-fide native-born American citizens shall be permitted to return to The U. S. A. Those of the section known as "C-I-C Rewrite" have the task of putting into good English the reports and decisions of "C-I-C Briefing"; wherefore they are more or less equally divided between Europe and The U.S.A.

The reports of these two groups and/or sections go to no ascertainable official authority; — neither to The State Department nor to The War Department, nor to the regular channels of The Military Government of The U.S.A in the occupied parts of Europe. And some of their reports seemingly go also to certain radio commentators and columnists.

Under the abbreviated expression "C-I-C" is usually understood The Counter Intelligence Corps of The U.S. Army. It is also applicable, however, to an outfit known as The Civil Information Corps.

The aforementioned Counter Intelligence Corps is officially part of The U.S. Army; — namely, the espionage, or spy, arm of The Army. But, the reports of the likewise aforementioned "C-I-C Briefing" and/or "C-I-C Rewrite" do not clear to or through The Counter Intelligence Corps of The Army.

The aforementioned Civil Information Corps, in turn, is sometimes referred to as The Civil Information Service, and sometimes as The Political Representation. In one way or another the agents of this Civil Information Corps, and/or Civil Information Service, and/or The Political Representation, have arranged that their reports reach The Department of Justice and determine many of its policies and actions; — including not only The Labor and Immigration Bureaus but even The F-B-I.

Inasmuch as these same agents work also for The Comintern and/or The Cominform they are really the liaison, or connecting, channel between subversives in official position in Washington D. C., and The Headquarters of The Comintern Conspiracy against Christian Civilization, in Moscow. And, there are very valid reasons for believing that it was some of these agents who not only entered and searched but even partly pilfered my apartment in Vienna during 1945 but also arranged to have the local head of The Communist Party in a village near Feld am See, Austria, order The British Army to arrest me in Feld am See on or about January 29th, 1948. Wherefore my petition to this court already last year for the help of The F. B. I. in running down the various acts of lawlessness on which the proceedings against me are based, and have been built up

Unknown even to many of the most prominent members of all three branches of our governmental administration, there has existed for many decades in our country an even-stronger cabal,

or camarilla, which is nothing less than a sub-rosa cabinet, court, and congress, combined in one; — in other words, a state within a state, a government within the machinery of our governmental administration. And it is as part of this Un-American and Anti-American cabal, and/or camarilla, and/or secret government, that the aforementioned "C-I-C Briefing," and "C-I-C Rewrite," and/or Civil Information Corps, Civil Information Service, operates and functions

The ways followed by the leaders of this cabal are devious; their disguises many in number; and their operations well camouflaged. So sly and cunning are their ways, in fact, that, if various bits of testimony already introduced into these proceedings may be taken at face value, even The Federal Bureau of Investigation has been hoodwinked and led astray by the trickery of the cabalists, or caballers, in question.

Nor is the scope of activity of this cabal limited to The U. S. A. On the contrary, the cabal which operates in our country is but a section of a worldwide organization whose program knows no national boundaries, and whose field of operations is literally global. Its leaders are equally at home, and also equally powerful, in London, Moscow, Paris, Washington, and elsewhere.

By all F. B. I. agents and representatives of The Department of Justice with whom I have had occasion to speak to date with respect to the proceedings which have been inaugurated against me I have been assured that The Department of Justice in general, and The F. B. I. in particular, are interested solely in getting the truth; and, on the basis of this assurance, I cooperated to the limit of my ability in assisting them in running down angles on my case which tend even to support the charges which the aforementioned cabal and/or camarilla have trumped up against me. Once they had obtained this information from me, however, they forgot entirely to keep their side of

the bargain; — namely, to go after the more important facts which support my side of the case. Wherefore I shall have more to say hereon after leaving the witness box.

Is Mr. Best receiving a fair trial

The Judge refused to permit any examination of talesmen by either counsel or the defendant; but conducted the examination himself on the basis of some ten questions which he selected and rewrote from a list of questions submitted to him by the prosecution and the defense respectively. (And in one of these questions he failed entirely to take cognizance of the possibility that judaism may be considered as a religion or a cult, but used the expression "Jewish Race").

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Contrary to what used to be considered normal, if not even compulsory, court procedure in The U. S. A. the trial judge has ruled that witnesses who have not even taken the stand may sit in the courtroom and hear the testimony of other witnesses whose testimony they are supposed to corroborate. And this too despite the fact that The Constitution itself prescribes that there must be at least two witnesses to each so-called overt act of treason, with which a person may be accused. Thus, of course, witnesses can hear the testimony of those who precede them on the stand; and thus be prepared against cross-examination questions which are calculated to cause them to give contradictory testimony.

Furthermore, through a corps of special investigators the attorneys for the prosecution has been able to gather a full report on prospective juror, — namely, on each talesman of the venire of 175 who were summoned for jury service. Although the defendant, Robert H. Best, had been deprived of the opportunity to gather similar information the judge denied outright his petition that his Attorneys of Counsel be permitted access to this information. Thus the prosecution were able to "hand-pick" jurymen about whom they knew every detail of both conduct and attitude toward life; whereas the defense was forced to grope blindly in the matter of jury-challenges.

## IN AGAIN - OUT AGAIN

In the sworn testimony of George Berthelon, former Communist, before a special committee of the California Legislature, he said: "We (the Communists) had a rule that whenever anyone asked us if we were members, we were automatically expelled. Of course, after we had replied 'No', we were immediately reinstated. All this was automatic."

**BY HON. CLARE GERALD FENERTY,**  
Judge of the Court of Common Pleas,  
Philadelphia.

"The Soviet leaders are aware that Communism will be accepted only by men who have the souls crushed out of them, when they are slaves, cowed and hopeless and groveling.

It cannot live in a land where men are men, where they can fortify themselves with spiritual strength and stand up and say, 'I am free; I am the captain of my soul!'

## BENJAMIN STOLEBERG

in his "Story of the C.I.O." wrote that: "in the United Electrical, Radio and Machine Workers Union \* \* \* where the Stalinists and their allies are in power, they term all opposition disruptive, un-Democratic, 'Trotskyite,' silencing all criticism through frame-ups, steam-roller methods, character assassination, and plain hooliganism in meetings" (p.149).

## COMMUNIST OATH DECLares:

"I pledge myself to remain at all times a vigilant and firm defender of the Leninist line of the Party, the only line that insures the triumph of Soviet power in the United States".

## BY WILLIAM Z. FOSTER, PRESIDENT OF COMMUNIST PARTY OF AMERICA

"The Communist is unscrupulous in his choice of weapons. He allows no consideration of legality, religion, patriotism, honor, duty, etc., to stand in the way of his adoption of effective tactics".

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From the "Program of the Communist International", an official Red document published with imprint of the Communist party of the U.S.A.

## THEODORE ROOSEVELT

"There can be no divided allegiance here. Any man who says he is an American, but something else also, isn't an American at all. We have room for but one flag, and this excludes the Red flag, which symbolizes all wars against liberty and civilization, just as much as it excludes any foreign flag of a nation to which we are hostile."

## THEODORE ROOSEVELT

Above was written by Theodore Roosevelt while in bed the day before he died.

"Unite the American people around the New Deal and maintain freedom of speech, press and assembly, protect the Bill of Rights." (1BID., pp.91,940) for Communist and suppress them for Anti-Communist.

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## KARL MARX SAID

"If you want to know in one word what is Communism, it is the destruction of private ownership."

Communist International, 1936 edition.

"The Communist International advances the following fundamental tasks: the confiscating of factories, plants, mines, electric power stations, railway, waterway, automobile and air transport services; telegraphs, telephones and wireless; private, church, monastery and other lands; also large landed estates, buildings, machinery, cattle, flour mills, dairy farms, fruit and vegetable drying plants, big housing property; also gold reserves, all securities, deposits, banks, and the wholesale and retail trade."

**BENJAMIN GITLOW**, former Communist leader and candidate for the vice presidency of the United States on the Communist Party ticket, has said: "The situation more nearly resembles insurrection than a labor strike. The distinction between loyal labor leaders and those following the Communist Party line is easy to observe. Loyal labor leaders fight for a settlement of grievances. Disloyal men who have wormed their way into the labor movement don't want settlement. They want strikes. That is the Communist Party line."

## By WILLIAM Z. FOSTER

The following is a statement by William Z. Foster, Chairman of the Communist Party of The United States, and published in the Daily Worker, official organ of the Communist Party.

"You cannot cure unemployment except by the overthrow of Capitalism and the establishment of Soviet government in the United States. We explain to the workers, and we teach the workers that only by violence finally can a revolution be accomplished."

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